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Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12th Street, S.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20554

**Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to  
47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1**

Dear FCC,

I live in the Bay Area, where there are quite a few small ISPs that use UNE services. I am subscribed to Sonic.net, which is an example of this. Having used both Comcast, and AT&T, before (these are the largest providers in the area), I can say that the local competition not only offers better service, but also forces these large companies to at least offer semi reasonable prices. I currently use DSL for my connections while I wait for the fiber roll out to reach my area.

While I have a few options for which ISP to use, there are many places that have a singular option. These places need these rules to allow local ISPs to try to force competition in the area and try to compete with these telecom giants.

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